

REMARKS

Election/Restriction – 35 USC 121 & 372

Applicants elect Group II drawn to claims 12-36. As claim 12 is independent and all the other elected claims depend from it, no claim amendment is required at this time.

Rejoinder of the claims of Group I is requested, when appropriate, as the scope of these claims is coextensive with Group II claims. Applicants will amend these claims to maintain this relationship when and if the elected claims are amended.


To be fully responsive, Applicants elect as a species, the composition of example 21, as shown in figure 18, part 12. This species is present in claim 27, and depends from claim 12, part (a) and claim 13 where each R is phenyl, R<sup>1</sup> is a benzoic acid connector and x is 2.

The inventors remain the same so no change in inventorship is required.

CONCLUSIONS

Applicants believe that they have responded to all items in this Action. However, if the Examiner has any questions concerning this Response, please contact the undersigned. If there are still unresolved issues, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner contact the undersigned to expedite allowance of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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